

REMARKS

By the above amendment, several minor, formal changes to the application are proposed to address clerical errors and improve the readability of the specification. The entry of these amendments is respectfully requested.

If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 referencing docket no. 0020-5236P.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The information disclosure statement filed with the application included a typographical error. The single reference cited, JP 2000-02205, was incorrectly listed as JP 2000-022055 on the PTO-1449. A copy of the reference and an English abstract were submitted, and it is believed that the examiner considered the proper reference. It is respectfully requested that this typographical error be addressed so that the proper reference number of the cited document will be printed on the patent.